

**NOTICE TO CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN AND PROCESSORS**

2005 Federal Groundfish Management Measures that Affect Fishermen in Federal and State Waters off California

**FIXED GEAR****LIMITED ENTRY****December**

<b>Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA)<sup>6/</sup>:</b>			
North of 46°16' N. lat.	shoreline - 100 fm	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	30 fm - 150 fm
46°16' N. lat. - 40°10' N. lat.	30 fm - 100 fm	South of 34°27' N. lat.	60 fm - 150 fm
See § 660.370 and § 660.381 for Additional Gear, Trip Limit, and Conservation Area Requirements and Restrictions. See § 660.390 - § 660.394 for Conservation Area Descriptions and Coordinates (including RCAs, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, and Cordell Banks). State trip limits may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off California			
	November - December		November - December
<b>North of 40°10'</b>		<b>South of 40°10'</b>	
<b>Minor slope rockfish<sup>2/</sup> &amp; Darkblotched rockfish</b>	4,000 lb/ 2 months	1 <b>Minor slope rockfish<sup>2/</sup> &amp; Darkblotched rockfish</b>	40,000 lb/ 2 months
<b>Pacific ocean perch</b>	1,800 lb/ 2 months	2 <b>Splitnose</b>	40,000 lb/ 2 months
<b>Sablefish</b>	500 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, not to exceed 9,000 lb/ 2 months	3 <b>Sablefish</b>	
		4 <b>40°10' - 36° N. lat.</b>	500 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, not to exceed 9,000 lb/ 2 months
		5 <b>South of 36° N. lat.</b>	350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb
<b>Longspine thornyhead</b>	10,000 lb/ 2 months	6 <b>Longspine thornyhead</b>	10,000 lb / 2 months
<b>Shortspine thornyhead</b>	2,000 lb/ 2 months	7 <b>Shortspine thornyhead</b>	2,000 lb/ 2 months
<b>Dover sole</b>	5,000 lb/ month South of 42° N. lat., when fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb (0.45 kg) of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.	8 <b>Dover sole</b>	5,000 lb/ month
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<b>Petrale sole</b>		10 <b>Petrale sole</b>	
<b>English sole</b>		11 <b>English sole</b>	
<b>Other flatfish<sup>1/</sup></b>		12 <b>Other flatfish<sup>1/</sup></b>	
<b>Whiting</b>	10,000 lb/ trip	13 <b>Whiting</b>	10,000 lb/ trip
<b>Minor shelf rockfish<sup>2/</sup>, Shortbelly, Widow, &amp; Yellowtail rockfish</b>	200 lb/ month	14 <b>Minor shelf rockfish<sup>2/</sup>, Shortbelly, &amp; Widow rockfish</b>	
		15 <b>40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.</b>	300 lb/ 2 months
		16 <b>South of 34°27' N. lat.</b>	3,000 lb/ 2 months
		17 <b>Chilipepper rockfish</b>	2,000 lb/ 2 months, this opportunity only available seaward of the nontrawl RCA
<b>Canary, Cowcod &amp; Yelloweye rockfish</b>	CLOSED	18 <b>Canary, Cowcod &amp; Yelloweye rockfish</b>	CLOSED
		19 <b>Bocaccio</b>	
		20 <b>40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.</b>	300 lb/ 2 months
		21 <b>South of 34°27' N. lat.</b>	300 lb/ 2 months
<b>Minor nearshore rockfish &amp; Black rockfish</b>	<b>State Permit Required</b>	22 <b>Minor nearshore rockfish &amp; Black rockfish</b>	<b>State Permit Required</b>
	6,000 lb/ 2 months, no more than 1,200 lb of which may be species other than black or blue rockfish <sup>3/</sup>	23 <b>Shallow nearshore</b>	300 lb/ 2 months
		24 <b>Deeper nearshore</b>	
		25 <b>40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.</b>	500 lb/ 2 months
		26 <b>South of 34°27' N. lat.</b>	400 lb/ 2 months
		27 <b>California scorpionfish</b>	300 lb/ 2 months
		28	

Lingcod <sup>4/</sup>	<b>CLOSED</b>	29	Lingcod <sup>4/</sup>	<b>CLOSED</b>
Other fish <sup>5/</sup> & Pacific cod	Not limited	30	Other fish <sup>5/</sup> & Cabezon	Not limited

- 1/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.302 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, sand sole, and starry flounder.
- 2/ Bocaccio, chilipepper and cowcod are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish and splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish North of 40 10' N Latitude. POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish and yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish South of 40 10' N Latitude.
- 3/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09.50' N. lat.), and between Destruction Is. (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Pnt. (46°38.17' N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lb or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.
- 4/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.
- 5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.302 and include sharks, skates, rattfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling. Cabezon is included in the trip limits for "other fish." See state regulations for permit requirements and trip limits.
- 6/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at § 660.390.

**To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.**

**State cumulative trip limits for cabezon, greenlings, and California sheephead  
(includes all gears, statewide)\***

	Nov/Dec	Minimum Size limits
Cabezon	0	15 in (TL)
Greenlings	0	12 in (TL)
Sheephead	2,400	13 in (TL)

\* CGS fisheries will close if the allocation amounts are reached.



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		3 South of 38° N. lat.	10,000 lb/ 2 months
		4 Splitnose	200 lb/ month
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